

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**Applicant(s):** Paul A. DuBois et al.  
**Title:** Method and system for numerically simulating rubber-like material in finite element analysis  
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### **Response to Non-Final Office Action**

Dear Sir:

The Examiner is thanked for granting a telephonic interview on November 16, 2006. The analogous relevancy of the cited references was discussed. Applicant disagreed with the assertion by the Examiner in the OA as to why the cited references are analogous. No agreement was made.

In response to the Non-final Office Action (OA) mailed September 18, 2006. Please amend the above identified application as follows:

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